

In the Specification:

Add the following first sentence to the specification.

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On page 6, amend the paragraph beginning on line 14 as follows:

The method of the invention ~~consists in~~ involves using the chip on the smart card to prohibit any cryptographic calculation implemented in the chip if the status of the proprietor of the smart card is set to "revoked" by the second entity. Otherwise, the status of the proprietor of the smart card is set to "non-revoked" and the chip authorizes the calculation. The second entity, which is typically a trusted authority, maintains an updated list of the identifiers of each smart card proprietor, whose status is either revoked or non-revoked. The second entity stores this list in storage means connected to a telecommunications network. The smart card may access those storage means via a smart card reader associated with a computer, such as a personal computer, connected to the telecommunications network.